AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-48. (Canceled)

Claim 49. (Currently Amended) A method of providing private security services comprising:

providing an electronic security system comprising a processing unit ~~capable of~~ <u>for facilitating</u> electronic communication through a computer network with at least one remote computer located at one or more remote locations, said security system further comprising at least one storage device for receiving and storing information pertaining to private security services provided at said one or more remote locations by one or more private security officers;

receiving security data entered into said at least one remote computer at one or more remote locations by said one or more private security officers, said security data pertaining to at least one security related event;

receiving timekeeping data pertaining to a portion of one or more security officer's work shifts at a remote location; and

wherein said system is ~~adapted~~ <u>programmed</u> to not accept timekeeping data entered into said at least one remote computer by said security officer without first receiving said security data from said security officer.

Claim 50. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 49, wherein said security data comprises text files, visual images, video, or audio data pertaining to at least one security event.

Claim 51. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 49, wherein said timekeeping data further comprises clock-in data pertaining to a beginning of a work shift.

Claim 52. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 51, wherein said timekeeping data further comprises clock-out data pertaining to an end of said work shift.

Claim 53. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 52, further comprising the additional step of providing a graphic user interface for entering security data and timekeeping data into said at least one remote computer.

Claim 54. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 53, wherein said graphic user interface further comprises one or more daily activity report templates having one or more data fields for security data.

Claim 55. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 54, further comprising the additional step of updating said storage device with said security data and said timekeeping data received from one or more remote locations.

Claim 56. (Canceled)

Claim 57. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 49 ~~56~~, wherein said security data comprises a daily activity security report.

Claim 58. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 53, further comprising the additional steps of:

receiving log-in information entered into said at least one remote computer by said one or more security officers through said computer network;

creating a record of the time at which said officer logs into the system;

generating clock-in data pertaining to a beginning of a work shift; and

associating said clock-in data with said security officer who entered said log-in information.

Claim 59. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 58, further comprising the additional steps of:

receiving log-out information entered into said at least one remote computer by said security officer through said computer network;

creating a record of the time at which said officer logs out of the system;

generating clock-out data pertaining to an end of a work shift; and

associating said clock-out data with said security officer who entered said log-out information.

Claim 60. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 59, further comprising the additional step of:

refusing to allow said security officer to log out of the system until a daily activity report has been submitted.

Claim 61. (Currently Amended) A security system comprising:

a processing unit ~~capable of~~ for facilitating electronic communication through a computer network with one or more remote computers located at one or more remote locations, said security system further comprising at least one storage device for receiving and storing information pertaining to private security services provided at said one or more remote locations by one or more private security officers, wherein said processing unit is ~~adapted to~~ for ~~receive~~ receiving security data entered into one or more remote computers at a remote location by said one or more private security officers, said security data pertaining to at least one security related event at said remote location, and ~~adapted to~~ for ~~receive~~ receiving timekeeping data pertaining to a portion of one or more security officer's work shifts at a remote location; and

wherein said system is ~~adapted~~ <u>programmed</u> to not accept said timekeeping data entered into said remote system by said security officer without first receiving said security data from said security officer.

62. (Previously Presented) The security system of claim 61, wherein said security data comprises at least one of text files, visual images, video, and audio data.

63. (Previously Presented) The security system of claim 61, wherein said timekeeping data further comprises clock-in data pertaining to a beginning of a work shift.

64. (Previously Presented) The security system of claim 63, wherein said timekeeping data further comprises clock-out data pertaining to an end of the work shift.

65. (Previously Presented) The security system of claim 61, wherein said remote computer at said remote location utilizes a graphic user interface adapted to receive security data and timekeeping data.

66. (Previously Presented) The security system of claim 65, wherein said graphic user interface further comprises one or more daily activity report templates having one or more data fields adapted to receive security data.

67. (Previously Presented) The security system of claim 66, wherein said processing unit is adapted to update said storage device with said security data and said timekeeping data received from said one or more remote computers.

68. (Canceled)

69. (Currently Amended) The security system of claim 61 68, wherein said security data comprises a daily activity security report.

70. (Previously Presented) The security system of claim 69, wherein said processing unit is adapted to receive log-in information entered into a remote computer by said security officer through said computer network, create a record of the time at which said officer logs into the system, generate clock-in data pertaining to a beginning of a work shift, and associate said clock-in data with said security officer who entered said log-in information.

71. (Previously Presented) The security system of claim 70, wherein said processing unit is adapted to receive log-out information entered into a remote computer by said security officer through said computer network, create a record of the time at which said officer logs out of the system, generate clock-out data pertaining to an end of a work shift, and associate said clock-out data with said security officer who entered said log-out information.

72. (Previously Presented) The security system of claim 71, wherein said processing unit is adapted to refuse to allow said security officer to log out of the system until a daily activity report has been submitted.

73. (Currently Amended) A method of providing private security services comprising:

providing an electronic security system comprising a processing unit ~~capable of~~ for facilitating electronic communication through a computer network with one or more remote computers located at one or more remote locations, said security system further comprising at least one storage device for receiving and storing information pertaining to private security services providing at said one or more remote locations by one or more private security officers;

receiving security data entered into one or more remote computers at one or more remote locations by said one or more private security officers, said security data pertaining to at least one security related event;

receiving timekeeping data pertaining to a portion of one or more security officer's work shifts at a remote location, wherein said timekeeping data further comprises clock-in data pertaining to a beginning of a work shift and clock-out data pertaining to an end of the work shift;

providing a graphic user interface for entering security data and timekeeping data into said one or more remote computers, said graphic user interface having one or more daily activity report templates having one or more data fields for security data; and

refusing to allow said security officer to log out of the system until a daily activity report has been submitted.